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ALL SAINTS' CHURCH  
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Pennsylvania

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All Saints' Church is a stone structure located on a 10-acre plot of land in the northeast section of Philadelphia. The building was erected in 1854, and seats 300 people. The Church Self-Study Form indicates that the interior needs renovation and the steeple is in need of repair.

Attached to the church is a two-story parish house which has six classrooms and the rector's office on the first floor, and an auditorium on the second floor. Only minor improvements are needed for this building which was erected in 1912.

Separated from the church on a one-acre plot of land is a seven-room rectory in good condition.

Finally, there is a one-story stone building, built in 1960 and attached to the parish house, which is used for a weekday kindergarten and church school. This building has three rooms.

THE CHURCH NEIGHBORHOOD

All Saints' Church is located in a section of the city that is occupied by single-home dwellings, apartment houses, a college, and a few other institutions, including a home for the aged, an orphanage and a penal institution. At the time of the Study there were new homes being built in the area, and some new apartment houses.



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The City of Philadelphia is divided into tracts for the purposes of the United States Census. All Saints' Church is located in Census Tract 41-A. This tract together with the surrounding tracts have been arbitrarily assigned as the parish area. The following table gives information concerning the total population in the area, the number of Episcopalians in each tract, and the parish membership of All Saints' Church located in this area.

CENSUS TRACT OR ZONE	TOTAL POP.	TOTAL EPIS.	% OF POP. EPIS.	TOTAL PARISH MEMB.	% EPIS. MEMB.	% PARISH MEMB.
41-A	2,043	131	6.4	87	66.4	11.2
41-B	744	25	3.4	17	68.0	2.2
41-C	3,986	140	3.5	19	13.6	2.5
57-A	13,111	406	3.1	255	62.8	32.9
58-I	965	100	10.4	39	39.0	5.0
TOTAL	20,849	802	3.8	417	52.0	53.8

The percentage of the population that is Episcopal in the City of Philadelphia is 2%. In the Diocese of Pennsylvania the percentage of the total population that is Episcopal is 3.2%. The national percentage is 1.8%. The percentages in the arbitrarily assigned parish area run considerably higher than this, and in only one tract, an area with a very large total population, is this figure below the diocesan average. The total parish membership of All Saints' Church in Torresdale represents only slightly more than 50% of the total number of Episcopalians in this arbitrarily assigned parish area, and only about 54% of the total parish membership. These factors would classify this church as a Metropolitan type church rather than a community or neighborhood church.

The following table gives information about the

percentage of the population under 15 years of age, the percentage 65 years of age and older, and the median age for men and women in this area.

CENSUS TRACT OR ZONE	% 14 & UNDER	% 65 & OVER	MED. AGE	
			M	F
41-A	26.4	8.7	33.5	30.0
41-B	21.9	16.0	34.5	42.1
41-C	41.4	4.9	21.2	21.9
57-A	37.0	3.3	26.1	26.1
58-I	34.3	6.8	25.6	28.8

The City of Philadelphia had 26.5% of its population under 15 years of age in 1960, and 10.4% over 65 years of age in that year. The median age for men in Philadelphia was 32.1% and the median age for women was 34.6%. It can be seen that except for Tract 41-B, the tracts in the arbitrarily assigned parish area present the picture of a considerably younger segment of the population than is found in Philadelphia as a whole. It is more than likely that because Census Tract 41-B includes the home for aged that there is a high percentage of the population 65 years of age and older in that area.

The following table gives information concerning the education of adults 25 years of age and older in the arbitrarily assigned parish area.

EDUCATION OF ADULTS 25 YRS. OF AGE & OVER				
CENSUS TRACT OR ZONE	% H.S. GRAD.	% COLLEGE 1-3 YRS.	% COLLEGE GRAD.	MED. EDUC.
41-A	24.2	8.7	11.6	11.1
41-B	12.5	7.3	4.3	8.7
41-C	24.2	4.9	2.1	10.2
57-A	32.6	7.4	4.0	11.4
58-I	24.1	1.7	4.4	10.5



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Adults in the City of Philadelphia showed a median educational level of 9.6 years, with 20% of the adult population being high school graduates, 5.1% college graduates and 5.1% having had from one to three years of college. The educational level in the arbitrarily assigned parish area is, for the most part, above this level except for Census Tract 41-B. It should be noted that, in no tract is high school graduation the median education level norm.

The following table gives information concerning the number and the percentage of the population non-white.

CENSUS TRACT OR ZONE	NON-WHITE	
	POP. 1960	% NON-WHITE
41-A	2	0.1
41-B	5	0.7
41-C	48	1.2
57-A	65	0.5
58-I	5	0.5
TOTAL	125	0.6

In the City of Philadelphia, the percentage of the population non-white amounts to 26.7%. It is obvious that this area shows a significant deviation from the city average.

The following table gives information concerning the median family income for the arbitrarily assigned parish area, and the percentage of the population five years of age and older in 1960 who had the same residence as in 1955.



CENSUS TRACT OR ZONE	MED. FAMILY INC.	% RESIDENCE IN 1955 SAME AS 1960
41-A	6,649	60.9
41-B	NA	62.9
41-C	5,593	31.7
57-A	6,965	43.8
58-I	7,076	38.6

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The income range for the residents of this area is quite marked, but could not be considered extremely high or extremely low. In comparing the length of residence percentages, these percentages should be viewed against the background of the city as a whole which showed 60% of the population in the same house in 1960 as in 1955. There would appear to be a great number of new people coming into the latter three tracts noted in the table above, and a fairly stable residence for Tracts 41-A and B.

Schools located within the church neighborhood of All Saints' Church in Torresdale include three public grade schools, two parochial grade schools, two parochial secondary schools, and a Roman Catholic college.

Churches located in the parish neighborhood include three Roman Catholic churches, two Lutheran churches, a Presbyterian church, a United Church of Christ, and a Baptist church.

THE CHURCH PROGRAM

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On an average Sunday morning, a total of 195 persons, or approximately 26% of the baptized membership reported in the Church Self-Study Form are in church. This is below the national figure of approximately 45% to 50%. Services on a Sunday morning include an 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion, a 9:30 a.m. Family Service and an 11:00 a.m. Service of Morning Prayer. The Family Service was begun three years ago and is now the most heavily attended service.

Weekday services include a daily celebration of the Holy Communion at 9:00 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. The attendance at these services averages four people and is quite low for a parish of this size.

The total registration of the church school was 128 persons, of which 18 are teachers and staff. This church school operates on a 12 month basis. The church school is closely graded through the eighth grade, and there is one class for high school students. There is an adult class which meets on Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. for a series of lectures by persons from outside the parish. There is a teacher-training course offered in the parish which is part of the Christian education program, and this course is taught by an outside visiting professor. Of the 18 teachers, 10 are under 20 years of age, and nine have been teaching for two years or less.

Children are prepared for confirmation in a series of 25 sessions of one hour's length each, and the instructor of this class is the rector of the parish. Adults are instructed in four sessions from one to two hours each by the rector.



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Adult education classes include a school of religion which meets five times during the year, and the study program of the Episcopal Churchwomen which meets for 10 sessions during the year.

In the summary of organizations, it would appear that there are 17 organizations in the parish, but only seven submitted reports. Among these are the Women's Guild which meets monthly, two branches of the Episcopal Women of All Saints' Church, an evening branch and a day branch which also meets monthly, the Altar Guild, the Men of All Saints', the Acolytes, and the Young People's Fellowship. Nearly every report, with the exception of the Altar Guild, makes mention of fund raising activities for the church, and nearly every group notes a desire to increase the size of its membership.

In reviewing the finances of the church it appears that the income for the full year reported was \$31,668.00, of which 62% was received in the regular pledges of the membership. The average pledge receipt per communicant for current expense purposes amounted to approximately \$55.00, which is below the national average of nearly \$56.00. The church has a debt of approximately \$20,000.00 which is being amortized on a quarterly basis. A thorough Every Member Canvass is conducted each year by personal solicitation, and the training of canvassers is done by means of a briefing on the day of the canvass. The church meets its full Missionary Share or Quota to the diocese.

The priest of the parish makes an average of 15 calls per week for all purposes, and organizes his regular parish calling by geographical areas.



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Names from the guest book and information blanks in the pews provide the basis for calling on the unchurched in the area. There is no program of lay calling outside of the Every Member Canvass, nor is there a program of lay evangelism in this congregation.

There is a monthly parish newsletter, a Sunday bulletin, and a yearbook produced by the parish and distributed to the membership.

The Church Self-Study Form indicates that the congregation is community-minded, but the participation appears to be in terms of individual membership participation in community affairs rather than participation in the name of the congregation as a whole. The church offers a full Boy Scout and Girl Scout program, and an organization known as the Junior Assembly makes use of the parish hall and its facilities.

Neither the clergyman in this parish nor any of the lay people hold any offices in the diocese or national church, and the participation of the congregation in diocesan programs is limited to the Annual Brotherhood of St. Andrew corporate communion for men, the United Thank Offering, and gathering and training for program sessions for women. The young people participate in the Northeast Young People's Fellowship Convocation.

In examining the possibilities of expanded programs for this congregation, the committee which provided the information for the Self-Study Form mentioned a desire to have a curate, a Director of Religious Education, and a full-time parish secretary. The capital needs of the parish appear to be adequately provided for. Program needs on the basis of this Study

include a bolstering of the educational opportunities in the area of the church, and the need for advice on community programs and the community structure in order to minister more effectively in this area.

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CHURCH SELF-STUDY FORM

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I. IDENTIFICATION

Church ALL SAINTS, TORRESDALE  
Street 9601 FRANKFORD AVE City PHILA. PA  
County PHILA Diocese \_\_\_\_\_  
Parish or Mission PARISH State PA.

What geographic area does this church serve? GREATER NORTHEAST  
SECTION OF CITY - MORE SPECIFICALLY TORRESDALE -  
AND LOWER BUCKS COUNTY

II. THE CHURCH NEIGHBORHOOD

A. The church is located in a section of the city which is occupied by:

Downtown commercial uses \_\_\_\_\_ Industrial uses \_\_\_\_\_ Apartment dwellings ☒  
Rooming houses \_\_\_\_\_ Single-home dwellings ☒ A college ☒ Military  
uses \_\_\_\_\_ Other institutions ☒

B. If more than one type is checked above, please clarify:

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C. Is the church neighborhood changing in any way? Describe:

INFLUX OF NEW HOME DEVELOPMENTS AND  
APARTMENTS

D. The following schools are located within the church neighborhood:

PUBLIC GRADESCHOOLS

HOLME, THOMAS  
TORRESDALE SCHOOL  
FITZPATRICK, ALOYSIUS L.

ADDRESS

ACADEMY & WILGETS RD.  
TORRESDALE AVE & CONNANT LA.  
KNIGHTS RD. & CHALFONT DR.



HIGH SCHOOLS

ADDRESS

PRIVATE OR PAROCHIAL NURSERY SCHOOLS

ADDRESS

PRIVATE OR PAROCHIAL GRADE SCHOOLS

ADDRESS

ST. DOMINIC

8504 FRANKFORD AVE.

ST. KATHERINE

FRANKFORD AVE. & PRIMROSE

PRIVATE OR PAROCHIAL JUNIOR AND SENIOR  
HIGH SCHOOLS

ADDRESS

FATHER JUDGE

SOLLY ST. & ROWLAND AVE.

NAZARETH ACADEMY

GRANT AVE. & FRANKFORD AVE.

JUNIOR COLLEGES AND COLLEGES

ADDRESS

HOLY FAMILY COLLEGE

GRANT AVE. & FRANKFORD AVE.



E. The following churches are located within the church neighborhood:

[illegible]



# ALL SAINTS, TORRESDALE

## Our Heritage

**1772-3** A small chapel, built on a lot donated by Christian Minnick, was finished in this period. On November 7, 1773, it was solemnly dedicated to the service of the Lord.

**1785** The Reverend William Smith and his nephew who succeeded him became the first regular Rectors of the Church. The Church was now sufficiently organized to warrant its own Rector.

**1787** Trinity Church, Oxford; All Saints', Lower Dublin; and St. Thomas, Whitemarsh, Montgomery County, were made into one politic, each with its own vestry. Our Vestry at this time consisted of six men.

**1811** The Church was enlarged and improved by the addition of pews and sheds. Another acre of land was purchased to widen the Churchyard.

**1834** All Saints' dissolved the union formed in 1787 and became an independent Church. Growth had been considerable during these early years.

**1854** Bishop Alonzo Potter laid the cornerstone of the present Church building, which was designed to seat four hundred people. The building site was donated by Charles Harrison. The old chapel was removed and the stone was used again in building a sexton's house.

**1860** The Sunday School building was erected, without any cost to the Church, chiefly through the generosity of Mrs. James S. Biddle.

**1872** A centennial anniversary celebration was held to commemorate the establishment of the Parish.

**1885** A new house was built on Frankford Avenue to provide more comfortable living quarters for our sexton.

**1912** The Parish Day School was founded and the Parish Building was given by Mrs. Walter Massey. The emphasis in the school was on the Montessori-type kindergarten. It began with six children, and developed into a teacher training institution.

**1916** The Reverend Percy J. Brown became the Rector of the Church at this time. It was during his rectorship that the new organ was donated and installed in our Church. He guided the Parish members through the difficult war years.

**1946** All Saints' Church Day School moved to the Biddle estate in Andalusia. The only exception was the kindergarten, which still meets in our Parish building.

**1953-4** The Reverend Stuart A. L. Thomas became Rector of the Church and later headmaster of the Church school, Pen Ryn.

**1958** Interior beautification and improvement was begun on the Church, including interior painting and the installation of kneeling benches and carpeting for the center aisle.



IV. THE LOCAL CONGREGATION

A. Church properties:

1. Describe and give location of all land owned by the congregation, reporting the use of each parcel.

1. A 10 acre site at 9601 Frankford Ave  
is used for church buildings and cemetery.

2. A 1 acre site at 14 Elliott Rd - Rectory.

2. Type of church building: Frame ☐ Brick ☐ Stone ☒ Other ☐ (type)

Describe the church building, giving number of sittings; condition of building; and improvements needed, with estimated cost:

A pseudo-Gothic bldg erected in 1854,  
seats 300 people. Steeple needs repairs  
(cost \$1000-\$1500). Interior should be renovated  
(cost \$25,000-40,000).

Replacement Value \$ 91,300. Amount of insurance carried \$ 70,000

3. Type of parish hall or house: Attached ☒ Separated ☐;

In basement of the church ☐; Frame ☐ Brick ☐

Stone ☒ Other ☐ (type)

Describe, giving the number of rooms, the condition of the building, and improvements needed, with the estimated cost.

2 Story Bldg. - 6 classrooms on  
1st floor and Rector's Office.

Auditorium on 2nd floor.

Condition Good. Minor Improvements  
needed. Bldg. erected in 1912

Replacement value \$ 167,000 Amount of insurance carried \$ 140,000



4. Type of rectory or clergy house: Attached \_\_\_\_\_ Separated ☒;  
Frame \_\_\_\_\_ Brick ☒ Stone \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
(type)

Describe, giving the number of rooms, the condition of this building, and improvements needed, with estimated cost.

7 Rooms - Good Condition -  
No improvements required.

Is it used as a clergy residence? YES. If not, what use is made of the building?

Replacement value: \$ 30,000 Insurance carried: \$ 32,500.

5. Describe all other buildings owned or used by the congregation, giving (a) type of construction; (b) number of rooms; (c) condition; (d) improvements needed and estimated cost; (e) replacement value; (f) amount of insurance carried; and (g) present use.

In 1960, a one story stone bldg. was  
erected, attached to Parish House.

It has 3 rooms, in good condition.

Replacement value - \$70,000.

Used for Weekday Kindergarten and  
Church School.



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B. Membership (secure from parish records):

1. Number of church families: Total number 255  
 Number of individuals not in families 55

Baptized membership			Communicants			Church School		
<u>1950</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>Now</u>	<u>1950</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>Now</u>	<u>1950</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>Now</u>
<u>450</u>	<u>688</u>	<u>750</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>622</u>	<u>565</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>160</u>

	<u>5 yrs. ago</u>	<u>4 yrs. ago</u>	<u>3 yrs. ago</u>	<u>2 yrs. ago</u>	<u>Last year</u>
3. Number of baptized members who were removed from the parish list	<u>41</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>25</u>
Number of baptized members who were added to the parish list	<u>21</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>13</u>

	<u>16</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>4</u>
4. Communicants added:					
By confirmation from Episcopal families	<u>16</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>4</u>
By confirmation from other Churches	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>2</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>    </u>
By reception from other Churches	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>
By baptism and confirmation from no church	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>
Total	<u>16</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>8</u>
	( '59 ).	( '60 ).	( '61 ).	( '62 ).	( '63 )

Bishop did not visit church in '63  
 These at Bishop Chapel

5. Attendance:

Number of communicants who attended regularly last year	<u>300</u>
Number of communicants who attended occasionally	<u>150</u>
Number who did not attend last year, but lived in the community	<u>100</u>
Number of communicants who did not live in the community, but were on the parish records, not transferred	<u>    </u>
6. How many persons attended the last annual business meeting?	<u>130</u>



V. WORSHIP

A. List schedule of regular Sunday services, including church school:

TYPE OF SERVICE	HOUR	ATTENDANCE (Adults & Children)*		
		LOW	AVERAGE	HIGH
HOLY COMMUNION	8: a.m.	15-25	35-45	85-125
FAMILY SERVICE	9:30 a.m.	125	180	250
MORNING PRAYER	11 a.m.	50	75	100

\*Use figures from Church Service Register

B. Weekday services:

TYPE OF SERVICE	DAY AND HOUR	LOW	ATTENDANCE*	
			AVERAGE	HIGH
HOLY COMM.	M-W-F: 9:00	2	4	6
	Tu-Th-Sat 8:00	2	4	6

\*Use figures from the Church Service Register

C. Special services or missions held during the average year (including Lent):

BOY SCOUT SERVICE - Feb.	125 attendance
WED. LENT SERVICES -	100 attendance.
GOOD FRIDAY -	200 "

D. Number and nature of services in which this congregation participates with other Episcopal congregations. State average attendance from this congregation:

NONE



E. What experiments or adjustments have been made in changing the hours or the format of services? Comment on results:

Introduced Family Service 3 years ago  
at 9:30. Now largest service

F. Additional information about Sunday services:

1. Are birthdays, anniversaries, and the departed regularly remembered? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Is there a coffee or hospitality hour after any service? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Is baby care provided during any service? \_\_\_\_\_

2 - YES! 4 times a year.  
Sunday after Christmas  
Sunday after Easter  
Last Sunday in June.  
First Sunday in October.

3. YES!  
At during 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Service.



# VI. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## A. Church School

### 1. Registration and attendance

a. Teachers and staff

18

b. Students

110

Total

128

c. Lowest total classroom attendance during the past year 60

d. Highest total classroom attendance during the past year (except for Christmas and Easter) 128

e. Are absentee cards used? NO

f. How many months of the year is the church school in operation? 12

g. If teachers call on students in case of absence, or for other reasons, please give details.

NO CALLS MADE

### 2. Worship schedule

ALL CHURCH SCHOOL CHILDREN ABOVE KINDERGARTEN  
ATTEND 1/2 OF REGULAR 9:30 ADULT CHURCH.

CLASS OR DEPARTMENT	DAY	HOUR	DURATION	LEADER
NURSERY	SUNDAY	9:30 A.M.	1 HR.	MRS. LOUIS VON CLEFF
KINDERGARTEN	"	TILL 10:30	"	MRS. MARTHA HOST
"	"	"	"	MRS. NANCY KLIGGE
"	"	"	"	MISS DOROTHY LANCASTER
"	"	"	"	MISS SUSAN COLLINS
"	"	"	"	MISS CAROL RADCLIFFE
1ST GRADE	"	"	"	MISS LEE FISHER
2	"	"	"	MISS JEAN HOFFMAN
3	"	"	"	MISS HARRYN KNAPP
4	"	"	"	MR. TERRY RITTS
5	"	"	"	MRS. MARIE DORNER
6	"	"	"	MR. CHARLES DORNER
7 & 8	"	"	"	MISS NANCY KLIGGE
HIGH SCHOOL	"	"	"	MRS. EVELYN BIDUNSMAYER
SUBSTITUTE TEACHER	"	"	"	MR. WILLIAM BLOOMER
				MR. DAVID LASALLE
				MR. ARNOLD RODGERS
				MRS. FLORENCE FISHER







4. List the teaching aids used, including audio-visual material.

NONE

5. Describe the program for pre-school children.

1/2 HOUR SERVICE IN CHAPEL - INCLUDES PRAYERS AND HYMS  
1/2 HOUR WITH STORIES & SMALL INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS

6. Data on the teaching staff

a. How are teachers recruited? VOLUNTEERS & SOLICITATION

b. Describe the way in which teachers are trained, giving the number of sessions, the leaders, etc.

ONE TRAINING COURSE AT PRESENT.  
(lectures by visiting professors).

c. How are teachers assisted in the performance of their duties?

NONE

d. Summary of teachers' backgrounds

AGE	Number	EDUCATION	Number	YEARS TEACHING	Number
19 years or less	10	Grade school	—	one	4
20 to 29	1	Junior high	1	two	5
30 to 39	3	Senior high	15	three	2
40 to 49	4	1 to 3 years College	1	four	0
50 years or more	—	College grad.	—	five	1
		Graduate study	1	6 to 10	2
Male	5			11 to 20	4
Female	13	K-12		20 and over	0



7. What problems does the church school have? \_\_\_\_\_

NO MAJOR PROBLEMS

B. Vacation Church School

NEVER HAD ONE; HOWEVER, ONE IS  
BEING PLANNED ~~FOR 1968~~

1. When is it held? \_\_\_\_\_
2. For how long each day? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What type of courses are taught? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. How many children attend, usually? \_\_\_\_\_
5. How many of these children are regular pupils of this congregation's church school? \_\_\_\_\_
6. How many teachers are there? \_\_\_\_\_

C. Released Time Program

NONE

1. When are classes held? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What type of courses are taught? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. How many of this congregation's children attend? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What is the relationship of the teachers to this congregation?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. What is the relationship of the Released Time classes to the Christian education program of this congregation?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

D. Day School: If the congregation has a day school, please fill out the Parochial School Report Form and submit it with this report.

week day Kindergarten - 16 students  
1 Teacher



# E. Confirmation Instruction

## 1. Children

- a. What is the usual age of confirmation? 11 b. How many instruction sessions are held? 25 c. How long is each session? 1 hour. d. Who is the instructor? Rector e. What material is used? Gospel of Mark + Office of Instruction. f. What is the relationship of the confirmation class material to the regular church school curriculum? supplement.

## 2. Adults

- a. How many sessions are held? 4 b. How long is each session? 1-2 hours. c. Who is the instructor? Rector d. What material is used? Gifford's The Episcopal Way.

# F. Adult Education

1. List the general adult education program in the congregation, including Bible classes, parents' classes, discussion groups, etc.

NAME OF GROUP	NUMBER OF MEMBERS	NUMBER OF MEETINGS	LENGTH OF MEETINGS	INSTRUCTOR
<u>School of Religion</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1 hour</u>	<u>guest speakers.</u>
<u>Epis. Churchwomen-Eve.</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>1 hour</u>	<u>" "</u>
<u>" " Day</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>1 "</u>	<u>Rector + guests.</u>



2. What Retreats, missions, Quiet Days, etc., have the members participated in during the last two years? Estimate the total number of participants.

Two Quiet Evenings each year (Advent & Lent)

attendance - @ 25 persons. Total for last 2  
years: 100

3. What leader- and participant-training programs have been held in the last two years, such as the Indiana Plan, Parish Life Conferences, Missions, and Institutes? Estimate the total number of participants.

Teacher Training Sessions - about 12 participating.

- G. How can the Christian education program of this congregation be strengthened?

Stronger Adult program



VII. SUMMARY OF ORGANIZATIONS - Include, where applicable, vestry or bishop's committee, parish council, choirs, guilds, circles, ushers, acolytes (for men as well as boys), college work, etc.

A. For Women

1. Give the total number of adult women in the congregation. ~~1150~~ 300
2. Give the number of organizations for adult women. 5
3. Give the total active membership of all these organizations. 120

B. For Men

1. Give the total number of adult men in the congregation. ~~1000~~ 260
2. Give the number of organizations for adult men. ~~2~~ 3
3. Give the total membership of all these organizations. ~~32~~ 104

C. For Men and Women

1. Give the number of organizations for men and women. 7
2. Give the total active membership of all these organizations. 152

D. For Girls in:

	<u>grade school</u>	<u>junior high</u>	<u>high school</u>
1. Total number of girls	—	—	<u>130</u>
2. Number of organizations	—	—	<u><del>12</del> 3</u>
3. Total active membership	—	—	<u><del>50</del> 33</u>

E. For Boys in:

	<u>grade school</u>	<u>junior high</u>	<u>high school</u>
1. Total number of boys	—	—	<u>142</u>
2. Number of organizations	<u>1</u>	—	<u><del>12</del> 3</u>
3. Total active membership	<u>27</u>	—	<u><del>50</del> 33</u>

F. For Youth in:

	<u>grade school</u>	<u>junior high</u>	<u>high school</u>
1. Number of organizations	<u><del>2</del> 3</u>	—	<u>1</u>
2. Total active membership	<u><del>20</del> 27</u>	—	<u>33</u>

N.B. Please make a separate report for each individual organization, using the format on the following pages.



VIII. REPORT FOR INDIVIDUAL ORGANIZATION

A. Name THE WOMEN'S GUILD

Total active members 33 Average attendance at meetings 20

Number of meetings each month 1 Day and time of meetings 1ST WED 8:30

B. Why does this organization exist?

ACCORDING TO THE BY-LAWS - AID THE CHURCH  
IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE - SOCIABILITY,  
BRINGING THE WOMEN OF THE CHURCH TOGETHER

C. From what group in the congregation are the members drawn? MOST OF  
MEMBERS OF THIS GROUP ARE ALSO QUITE  
ACTIVE IN OTHER GROUPS OF THE CHURCH. ALL  
WOMEN ARE WELCOME

D. Describe the worship and the educational program.

ALL MEETINGS ARE OPENED AND CLOSED WITH  
PRAYER - AT EACH MEETING A PROGRAM IS PROVIDED  
(OF SECULAR NATURE) - THESE PROGRAMS ARE DIRECTED TOWARD  
THE VARIOUS INTERESTS AND HOBBIES OF THE MEMBERS

E. Describe the other activities of the organization.

IN ADDITION TO FUND RAISING - REMEMBER THE SICK WITH  
CARDS. HOSTESSED A FAMILY PICNIC, SERVED LIGHT  
REFRESHMENTS AFTER FAMILY SERVICE DURING CHRISTMAS,  
PRESENTED WALT DISNEY FILM AT COST FOR CHILDREN OF  
CONGREGATION AND FRIENDS.

F. What are the major opportunities and problems of this organization?

OPPORTUNITIES ARE GREAT, FOR IN MAKING MONEY, OUR MEMBERS  
DEVELOP LASTING FRIENDSHIPS WITH MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH.  
OUR ONLY PROBLEM IS THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO INCREASE OUR  
MEMBERSHIP AND GET BETTER ACQUAINTED WITH ALL THE WOMEN  
OF OUR CHURCH. EVEN THE CHILDREN BECOME BETTER  
ACQUAINTED WHEN THE MOTHERS HELP IN THE VARIOUS PROJECTS

G. What can be done for greater effectiveness? IF WE WERE SUCCESSFUL

IN ATTRACTING NEW MEMBERS, NEW IDEAS WOULD BE BROUGHT  
TO LIGHT. WHILE OUR GROUP IS FOR SOCIABILITY AND FUND  
RAISING, IN WORKING TOGETHER, YOU LEARN TO GIVE AND TAKE.  
IF OUR EFFORTS ARE TRULY BASED ON DOING WHAT A CHRISTIAN WOULD  
DO, OUR WORK WILL NOT BE IN VAIN AND WE SHOULD PROSPER

Signed by: MARGARET A. DUNGAN Title: PRESIDENT

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VIII. REPORT FOR INDIVIDUAL ORGANIZATION

- A. Name ACOLYTES  
Total active members 27 Average attendance at meetings 90%  
Number of meetings each month 1 Day and time of meetings 2<sup>ND</sup> FRIDAY  
6:30 P.M.
- B. Why does this organization exist?  
TO ASSIST CLERGY AT THE ALTAR AND TO  
GIVE US SOME KNOWLEDGE OF GOD AND THE  
CHURCH.
- C. From what group in the congregation are the members drawn? FROM THE CHURCH SCHOOL
- D. Describe the worship and the educational program.  
INSTRUCTIONS OF BEING AN ACOLYTE AND  
PERFORMING IN THE SERVICE
- E. Describe the other activities of the organization.  
FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES WHICH IS THEN  
USED TO HELP FIX THE CHURCH IN  
REPAIRS
- F. What are the major opportunities and problems of this organization?  
SERVING ALONG WITH THE PRIEST AND HAVING  
AN IDEA OF WHAT TO DO TO BECOME A  
PRIEST
- G. What can be done for greater effectiveness? GIVE THE BOYS  
ENCOURAGEMENT IN WHAT THEY ARE DOING  
AND WHY THEY ARE DOING THIS SERVICE TO  
THE CHURCH

Signed by: RICHARD HADDON Title: PRESIDENT



VIII. REPORT FOR INDIVIDUAL ORGANIZATION

A. Name WOMEN OF ALL SAINTS', EVENING BRANCH

Total active members 23 Average attendance at meetings 15

Number of meetings each month 1 Day and time of meetings 8:00 p.m.  
2nd Monday

B. Why does this organization exist?

To provide for the Women of the Church fellowship, religious education  
and corporate worship.

C. From what group in the congregation are the members drawn?

all women of the Church

D. Describe the worship and the educational program.

appropriate devotions preceding meetings. Quiet evenings (at least 2  
per year). Special speakers, movies, slides, all of an educational  
nature.

E. Describe the other activities of the organization.

Bus trips to places of interest (tour of the Chinese Christian Church,  
New York City, Winterthur) and covered dish suppers

F. What are the major opportunities and problems of this organization?

Provides educational meetings of 1 1/2 Hours duration per month for women  
employed and mothers of young children.

Our only problem is to get more members.

G. What can be done for greater effectiveness?

increase membership

Signed by: Mrs. Stanley C. Marwaring

Title: PRESIDENT



**VIII. REPORT FOR INDIVIDUAL ORGANIZATION**

- A. Name The Young Peoples Fellowship  
Total active members 33 Average attendance at meetings 25  
Number of meetings each month 4-5 Day and time of meetings Sun., 7:30
- B. Why does this organization exist?  
To provide social recreation, "to help young people through  
actual experiences in Christian living "
- C. From what group in the congregation are the members drawn?   
Ages 12-18, boys and girls
- D. Describe the worship and the educational program.  
Either sung evensong or sung litany, penitential office,  
or one of the offices of instruction and group discussion  
based on Routh Years.
- E. Describe the other activities of the organization.  
corporate communions, epiphany pageant, semi-formal  
dance, inter church youth meetings, dinner
- F. What are the major opportunities and problems of this organization?  
Reaching the neighborhood; more devotional activities
- G. What can be done for greater effectiveness?   
more diversification of programs and better planning

Signed by:

Richard Fisher

Title:

PRESIDENT



VIII. REPORT FOR INDIVIDUAL ORGANIZATION

- A. Name Worship of All Saints, Lay Branch  
Total active members 30 Average attendance at meetings 25  
Number of meetings each month 2nd Wednesday Day and time of meetings 12 Noon
- B. Why does this organization exist?  
This is a function of our Episcopal Church in the Diocese. We aid and abet all missionary and charitable branches of the church.
- C. From what group in the congregation are the members drawn? All women of the Church
- D. Describe the worship and the educational program.  
Holy Communion, Devotions, Prayers
- E. Describe the other activities of the organization.  
United Thank Offering
- F. What are the major opportunities and problems of this organization?
- G. What can be done for greater effectiveness?

Signed by:

The Harriet L. Lee

Title:

President



VIII. REPORT FOR INDIVIDUAL ORGANIZATION

- A. Name The Altar Guild  
Total active members 24 Average attendance at meetings 15  
Number of meetings each month 3/year Day and time of meetings 4th Monday  
8.00 PM
- B. Why does this organization exist?  
Care of Altar
- C. From what group in the congregation are the members drawn? Women of the Church
- D. Describe the worship and the educational program.  
None
- E. Describe the other activities of the organization.  
None
- F. What are the major opportunities and problems of this organization?  
Service Orga nization
- G. What can be done for greater effectiveness? -

Signed by: Evelyn K. Bidlingmaier

Title: Directorress



VIII. REPORT FOR INDIVIDUAL ORGANIZATION

A. Name THE MEN OF ALL SAINTS

Total active members 20 Average attendance at meetings 15

Number of meetings each month 2 Day and time of meetings 2ND SUNDAY  
4TH WEDNESDAY  
8:00 P.M.

B. Why does this organization exist?

CREATE FELLOWSHIP AMONG THE MEN OF THE PARISH AND TO HELP OUR CHURCH  
IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE.

C. From what group in the congregation are the members drawn? \_\_\_\_\_

MEN 21 YEARS OLD OR OVER

D. Describe the worship and the educational program.

SPEAKERS-RELIGIOUS AND EDUCATIONAL

MOVIES

MOST OF OUR MEN ATTENDED CORPORATE COMMUNION BREAKFAST FOR FATHER & SONS

E. Describe the other activities of the organization.

FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES-DANCES, CARD PARTIES

WE PLAN HAVING A DINNER IN THE FUTURE.

F. What are the major opportunities and problems of this organization?

MEN TO WORK TOGETHER FOR OUR CHURCH AND ALSO FELLOWSHIP.

PROBLEMS WE HAVE ONLY 20 MEMBERS OUT OF POSSIBLE 208 MEN IN OUR PARISH.

G. What can be done for greater effectiveness? \_\_\_\_\_

OUR GROUP IS VERY EFFECTIVE BUT WILL WELCOME ANY SUGGESTIONS.

Signed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: PRESIDENT

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IX. CLERGY OR LAY READERS IN CHARGE SINCE 1930

NAME	APPROX. AGE AT START OF MINISTRY HERE	PERIOD OF TENURE	MOVED TO:
<u>Percy Brown</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>1916-1953</u>	<u>Retired.</u>
<u>Stuart Thomas.</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>1953-60</u>	<u>St Paul's, Chester</u>
<u>Edward Chinn</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>1960-</u>	

A. Does the present minister live in the neighborhood? Yes.

Does he give full time to this church? Yes. If not, what other church(es) does he serve, or what other work does he do?

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B. How many people from this parish have gone into full time work for the church within the past ten years, or are now studying for such work? \_\_\_\_\_  
Please give details.

None.

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C. How many licensed lay readers serve the congregation now? 1.

Do any lay readers from this congregation serve other congregations? 1

If so, which congregations? No.

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# X. FINANCE

A. Income (Last Full Year): (1) Pledges \$ 19,671.58 (2) Plate offerings \$ 1,946.49 (3) Parish or mission organizations \$ 7,600.00 (4) Endowments \$ 3,300.00 (5) Special

fund drives \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (6) Other (please specify) \$ Church School - \$500

Pew Rest, Christies & Easter offerings - \$1500.

Miscellaneous - \$450

	1940	1945	1950	1955	1960	Last Full Year
B. Disbursements						
Total current expenses		<u>7,497.26</u>	<u>6,781.54</u>	<u>7,569.41</u>	<u>11,483.95</u>	<u>10,524.44</u>
Diocesan Assessment		<u>168.05</u>	<u>304.90</u>	<u>365.20</u>	<u>431.00</u>	<u>634.92</u>
Missionary Disbursements		<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>1,934.92</u>	<u>1,485.11</u>	<u>1,680.00</u>	<u>2,030.00</u>
Special parish expense		<u>4,348.30</u>	<u>8,946.33</u>	<u>3,582.08</u>	<u>10,753.44</u>	<u>7,519.69</u>

Clergy salary or salaries:  
from congregation

a) 4,000.00 4,000.00 4,025.00 4,931.06 6,915.00

b)

from other sources

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b)

\$ 225.00 per month

Rental value of the rectory

Is the church in debt? yes Amount of debt \$ 20,000 Method of repayment quarterly payments  
toward principle & loan



Finance (cont'd)

7. Is a thorough Every Member Canvass conducted each year? YES  
If yes, by mail or personal solicitation? P.S. Describe the  
training of the canvassers. GENERAL MEETING OF ALL  
INVOLVED — BRIEFING ON DAY OF CANVASS

8. What other means of fund raising or stewardship education are used?  
PARISH ORGANIZATIONS  
CONTRIBUTE TO VARIOUS PROJECTS

9. If this is a mission or aided parish, what is the potential for self-  
support?

10. Additional comments or information on finances:

C. Travel:

1. Does the priest have a car? YES  
2. By whom is the car purchased? Priest ☒ Congregation ☐ Diocese ☐  
3. How much is the annual operating expense of the car, omitting deprecia-  
tion? \$ 2,000 4. By whom is the operating expense paid? PRIEST  
5. How much does the local congregation pay? \$ 1,000.00  
6. Average number of miles traveled per month on church business 1500



# I. CHRISTIAN EVANGELISM AND VISITATION

## A. Clergy pastoral calling during the past year by rector or vicar:\*

TYPE OF CALL	NUMBER OF CALLS PER WEEK		
	LOW	AVERAGE	HIGH
1. Family or routine parish	<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>
2. Sick or emergency	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>8</u>
3. Calls for other purposes	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>10</u>

4. Time set aside for pastoral calling:

Tuesday & Thurs. P.M.

5. How do the clergy organize their parish calling?

Alphabetically (by geographical area).

6. How do the clergy organize their calling on the unchurched and newcomers?

Prospects from "Guest Book" and  
information blanks in pews. - called on  
week after they appear.

7. Time spent in pastoral counseling (average hours per week) 4 hours.

\* Please give similar information, separately, for other clergy.

## B. Lay calling:

1. Describe the Zone or Neighborhood Organization. \_\_\_\_\_

None

2. Describe the program of lay pastoral visitation, including the number of participants and the time spent.

None



3. Describe the program of lay evangelism (including the congregation's approach to newcomers and to the unchurched), giving the number of participants and the amount of time. \_\_\_\_\_

Rector alone at present involved.

4. How are newcomers integrated into the life of this congregation?

Called on... invited to join various  
organs.

5. Describe any religious census of the area made by the congregation itself or with other churches during the last ten years.

None

## XII. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. What use is made of the press? local paper used at

special occasions

- B. What use is made of radio and/or television? No.

- C. What use is made of the U.S. Mail? monthly News -

letter to Parish (sample inclosed)

- D. Describe the regular publications which are mailed or distributed, including Sunday bulletins, parish newsletters, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday bulletin

Yearbook (enclosed).

- E. How many church road signs are there? 3.



XIII. NEIGHBORHOOD OR COMMUNITY

- A. Is this congregation community-minded? yes.
- B. Describe the clergy participation in community affairs. have  
worked with committee of local school...  
" " YMCA. Extension group to  
organize "Y" in area.
- C. Describe the participation of the congregation in community affairs.  
members involved in local schools P.T.A.  
Boy Scouts, P.A.L., etc.
- D. Describe the general parish program for the community (including such church-sponsored programs as Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, etc.):  
Full Boy Scout & Girl Scout program  
offered.  
Junior Assembly - Dancing Class.
- E. List community organizations using the parish hall and its facilities:  
Junior Assembly.  
Scouts.
- F. Describe the way in which the congregation cooperates with other religious bodies:  
None



XIV. PARTICIPATION IN DIOCESAN AND NATIONAL CHURCH PROGRAMS:

A. What offices do the clergy hold in the diocese, missionary district, or National Church? none

B. What offices do the lay people hold in the diocese, missionary district, or National Church? none

C. What diocesan or National Church programs have directly benefited this congregation? ?

D. Describe the men's participation in diocesan programs: \_\_\_\_\_

Attend yearly Brotherhood of St. Andrew  
Corporate Communion....

E. Describe the women's participation in diocesan programs: attend  
U.T.O. ingathering... Training + Program  
Sessions at Church House.

F. Describe youth participation in diocesan programs: in N.E.  
YPF Convocation.

G. Does this congregation pay its full Missionary Share or Quota? yes.

H. What percent of the congregation's budget does for missionary work? 10%.



XV. STAFF

A. List all paid personnel working for this congregation, giving title, function, and salary, and telling whether full or part-time.

A. Edward Chinn, Rector	Full-time	\$ 6,000.00
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Robert Ihlefeld , Seminarian	775.00
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Mrs. Elizabeth Clark, Organist	full-time	1,750.00
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Mrs. Kathryn Weisel, Secretary part-time	1,581.00
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Stephen Eddon, Section	full-time	4,225.00
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Mrs. Thelma Haddon, Assistant	part-time	208.00
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B. Describe the use of volunteer personnel by this congregation.



XVI. FUTURE POLICY, PROGRAM, AND BUDGET

- A. In adopting a policy for an expanded program for this congregation, in order to vitalize its Christian witness to the community; to extend its outreach of Christian fellowship to all the unchurched; to increase initiative and responsibility for all members of the congregation; to develop local financial resources with a view towards self-support and parochial status (if not already attained); and to further other essential advances, what are the immediate needs as to:

1. Personnel: Ideally: - Curate; Director of Religious Education; Full-time Secretary.

2. Buildings: Adequate.

3. Equipment: Adequate for present.

- B. What are the major opportunities that face this congregation?

Centrally located to area.  
10 acres of ground; mostly undeveloped.

- C. What are the major problems that face this congregation?

Lowering of socio-economic group in neighborhood.  
High (90%) number of Roman Catholics in neigh.

- D. What program needs seem evident on the basis of this Study?

INTERNALLY - Increased educational opportunities.  
EXTERNALLY - Advice on community needs and structure.

- E. What would be the approximate capital cost to meet these needs?

Curate + D.R.E. \$14,000 full time sec. \$5000



F. What would be the annual operating budget to maintain the program?

\$50,000

G. What steps are now being taken locally to meet these needs and opportunities?

now - part time secretary.

No present plans for other personnel.

H. What steps are now being taken by the diocese or district, or might be taken, to assist in meeting these needs and opportunities?

hold regional conference for purpose  
of examining utilities companies  
projections for neighborhood change

I. Further data or comment on the general needs and problems of this congregation:

The data in this report were furnished by the following committee:

NAME	OCCUPATION	NUMBER OF YEARS IN PARISH
JOHN E. SAGUE	MECH. DES.	5
REV. A. EDWARD CHIN	RECTOR	5
WILHELM H. KNAUER	LAWER	20
MRS. RICHARD FISHER	HOUSEWIFE	15
MRS. BEISEL	SECT.	NON-MEMBER

Date completed: Mar. 26, 1965.



REPORTED MEMBERSHIP FROM MAPS

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All Saints' Church in Torresdale reports a total of 774 persons in 54 census tracts in Philadelphia and Bucks and Montgomery Counties. The largest concentration of the congregation is to be found in Tracts 57-A and 41A; the latter being the tract in which the church is located. It should be noted that there is a slightly higher than average concentration of members in two census tracts in Bucks County. The membership distribution of the parish is recorded in its entirety in the table on the following page.



# MEMBERSHIP DISTRIBUTION TABLE

PARISH PHILADELPHIA

ALL SAINTS

	CENSUS TRACT OR AREA	NUMBER OF MAPPED MEMBERS	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL MAPPED MEMBERSHIP
	B 1	48	62
	B 2C	6	8
	B 2D	36	47
	B 15B	5	6
	B 50A	1	1
	M 17B	1	1
	M 18	4	5
	M 19A	2	3
	M 24A	2	3
	M 3D	2	3
	M 5	1	1
	8D	1	1
	22I	1	1
	23A	1	1
	23D	5	6
	23E	1	1
	23I	3	4
	31A	1	1
	35F	1	1
	41A	87	112
	41B	17	22
	41C	19	25
	41G	3	4
	41H	12	16
	41I	5	6
	41J	2	3
	41L	1	1
	41M	1	1
	41Q	2	3
	42A	1	1
	42D	3	4
	45G	4	5
	49C	2	3
	50F	2	3
	53D	2	3
	53D	5	6
	55A	2	3
	56A	8	10
	56B	24	31
	56C	2	3
	56D	6	8
X	57A	255	329
	57C	14	18
	57E	8	10
	58A	20	26
	58B	16	21
	58C	3	4
	58D	1	1
	58G	16	21
	58H	49	63
	58I	39	50
	85J	9	12
	58K	9	12
	58M	3	4
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REPORTED MEMBERSHIP AND FINANCIAL DATA FROM JOURNALS

Between 1950 and 1960, the parish of All Saints' in Torresdale grew by 38.4% while the City of Philadelphia declined by 3.3%. It should be noted however, that there was no figure in the Diocesan Journal for the baptized membership in 1950, and that an estimate was made, based on the communicant strength. It is more than likely that the percentage increase was considerably lower. However, the church has shown a steady growth over the years, and is continuing to grow in the present era. The communicant membership grew by 17.1% in the years 1950 through 1960, but the church school declined by 14.0%. There has been considerable recovery in the church school membership, and the 1963 total slightly exceeds the 1950 membership total. The comparative statistics for churches in far northeast Philadelphia show that the baptized membership grew by 112.7%, the communicant strength by 61.2%, and the church school by 107.4%. In the City of Philadelphia, there were decreases in the baptized membership and the communicant membership between 1950 and 1960 of 4.8% for the baptized and 11.3% for communicants. There was, however, a slight increase in the church school of 1.3%. In the diocese as a whole the baptized membership increased by 19.4% between 1950 and 1960, the communicant strength by 11.4%, and church school membership by 41.8% in this same period. While the increases in the baptized membership and communicant strength compare favorably with diocesan statistics and overall statistics in the City of Philadelphia, the growth pattern was lower than

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that for other churches in far northeast Philadelphia during this same period.

Between 1961 and 1963, All Saints' Church had a total of 69 baptisms and 60 confirmations. The ratio of baptisms to communicant strength in this period was 3.7% and the ratio of confirmations to the communicant strength was 3.2%. In Episcopal churches in far northeast Philadelphia, the percentages were 3.6% and 4.1% respectively, and in the City of Philadelphia these ratios were 3.5% and 3.4% respectively. In the Diocese of Pennsylvania, the ratios were 3.9% and 4.1% respectively. It is generally considered necessary to have ratios of 5% in both categories in order to insure the steady growth of the church.

Between 1961 and 1963, All Saints' Church had total reported expenditures of \$121,182.00, of which \$8,691.00, or 7.2%, went for purposes outside the parish. In the Episcopal churches in far northeast Philadelphia, this ratio was 8.3%, and in the City of Philadelphia the ratio was 11.3%. In the diocese as a whole, the ratio of extra-parochial expenditures to the total reported expenditures amounted to 14.2%.

Between 1961 and 1963, the average expenditure per communicant per year amounted to \$65.01, of which \$4.66 went for purposes outside the parish. In churches in far northeast Philadelphia, the comparable statistics were \$58.83 and \$4.86, and in the City of Philadelphia, these figures were \$88.66 and \$10.02 respectively. In the Diocese of Pennsylvania the comparable figures were \$73.71 and \$10.45. While it is to be noted that there were heavy special parochial expenditures during this period which would lower the ratio of missionary giving to total reported expenditures, the expenditures per communicant and the missionary expenditures per communicant tended to be well below the averages of the other churches in the area, the city, and the diocese as a whole.

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## VITAL STATISTICS

 PARISH ALL SAINTS  
 COUNTY PHILADELPHIA

 (LOWER DUBLIN)  
 TOWN TORRESDALE  
 DIOCESE PENNSYLVANIA

	1940	1945	1950	1955	1960	1961	1962	1963
Baptized Members	350	400	* 497	521	688	702	740	750
Communicants	310	354	497	521	582	600	638	626
Church School	85	110	164	132	141	148	162	168
Baptisms	14	34	30	25	17	27	21	21
Percentage of Communicants	4.5	9.6	6.0	4.8	2.9	4.5	3.3	3.4
Confirmations	-	49	40	40	16	21	31	8
Percentage of Communicants	-	13.8	8.0	7.7	2.7	3.5	4.9	1.3
Parochial Expenditures 1	7,499	8,786	11,231	13,540	21,392	22,310	24,443	25,263
Special Par. Expenditures 2	17,163	36,069	56,614	11,133	26,150	22,048	10,908	7519
Extra-parochial Expenditures 3	1,635	2,371	2,485	3,789	2,285	1,944	3624	3123
Total Reported Expenditures	26,297	47,226	70,330	28,462	49,827	46,302	38,975	35,905
Expenditures per Communicant	84.83	133.41	141.51	54.63	85.61	77.17	61.09	57.36
Extra-parochial Expenditures per Communicant	5.27	6.70	5.00	7.27	3.93	3.24	5.68	4.99

\* GDRFS ESTIMATE (NR)

- 1 Includes clergy salary, current expense, pension premium, and Diocesan assessment.
- 2 Special parish purposes, including capital expenditures.
- 3 Includes Church's Program, special outside.



DATA ON THE CONGREGATION

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It is unfortunate that All Saints' Church in Torresdale failed to include a higher percentage of its total congregation in the census. Under 65% was included, which would make for inaccurate statistics. Of the numbers included, it would appear that the largest group in the congregation is made up of children under 10 years of age, and the largest adult group is made up of adults in their 40's. It should be noted, also, that a fairly high percentage of the congregation is over 65 years of age when compared to the total population. This statistic might change somewhat if a larger proportion of the membership had been included in the census.

In reviewing the occupations of the membership, the largest group in the congregation is clerical workers, followed by managers, and then skilled craftsmen. In contrast to a number of Episcopal congregations, the proportion of professional people is lower in the rank order than might usually be expected. Again, these statistics indicate a fairly high percentage of the congregation listed as retired.

In reporting on their length of membership in this congregation, 226 out of 376 persons have been members for less than 10 years. When the 114 persons under 10 years of age are subtracted from the above figure, this would indicate that a considerable percentage of the membership would be coming into the parish by other than what might be considered being "born" into the church.

In reporting on former affiliation by those persons in Episcopal families who belong to other



churches, the largest groups indicating a former affiliation are Presbyterians and Roman Catholics in that order, while the largest group of the non-members are Roman Catholics and Methodists in that order.

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In reporting on years of education of adults in the parish, it would appear that the educational attainment level is well above that of the community as a whole. High school graduation is the median level of education, and somewhat higher percentages of the total membership have attended college or graduated from college.

The congregation appears to be fairly scattered according to the report on distance from the church. Of 144 persons reporting, only 45 live within a mile of the church and 32 families live four or more miles away. However, of 141 families reporting, 114 can get to church in less than 20 minutes. This area still has open land and easy access by automobile.

In reporting on the age of residences of the membership, 32 out of 135 families are in homes built since 1960, and 43 families live in homes built in the 50's. The residences of the members are not all this new, with 20 families living in homes built in the 20's, 11 families living in homes built between 1900 and 1919, and nine families living in homes built before the turn of the century. Of 138 families reporting, 120 live in single-family dwellings, eight in duplex homes and 10 families in private houses.



## DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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This historic church has witnessed many changes in the almost 200 years of its existence. The congregation and clergy have borne the heat and burden of many days. It would appear at this period in its history that All Saints' Church is again involved in a changing situation, as this portion of Philadelphia moves from suburban to urban living.

The opportunities that lie before the parish are manifold, and the following discussion and recommendations are made in the spirit of assisting the parish to gird itself for even greater service in the time ahead. There has been much faithful labor in the past, and there is no thought of minimizing good work already done.

If there could be one word that would describe the opportunities facing All Saints' Parish it would be "outreach". At the present time the Episcopal Church, totally, is only reaching 3.8% of all people in the neighborhood. All Saints' Church reaches approximately half of this number. This means that only 400, approximately, out of more than 20,000 persons in the vicinity of the church, are potentially under the influence of the parish.

It is recommended that the rector and vestry appoint a Parish Study Group to receive and analyze this Survey Report and to begin an evaluation of present activities and to establish some future goals. This Survey could be but the first step in a program of self-evaluation looking to the fulfillment of the primary purpose of the parish. It might be helpful to have spelled out to the entire congregation what the primary purpose for the existence of the congregation is.



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As part of the re-evaluation, all existing organizations might like to determine whether or not they fulfill a real need in relationship to the purpose of the parish, and if there is now no longer a burning reason for the continuance of the organization, it might be gracefully retired. Many parishes have organizations that survive long after there is real need for them to exist, merely because they are historically there.

The Parish Study Group might consider next the fields of outreach, parish administration, evangelism, stewardship, adult education, and leadership training.

There is an apparent need for stronger cooperation among Episcopal churches in the northeastern section of Philadelphia. It is recommended that the leadership of All Saints' Parish be instrumental in developing lines of communication with nearby Episcopal churches, at least in the Far Northeast Philadelphia Planning Area, and with the office of the new Archdeacon. In the rapidly changing area there should be group planning, cooperation, strategy, and fellowship.

Locally, it would seem that a study of the community area should be made and that the parish should get significantly involved in what is going on. The Church Self-Study Form indicates that the Young People's Fellowship has this in mind as it sees one of the major opportunities as being that of "reaching the neighborhood". The Men of All Saints' report that their organization exists "to help our church in any way possible". One of the problems they list is that they have only 20 members out of a possible 208 men in the congregation. It is conceivable that with a relevant and significant program of meeting real issues, more men would give of themselves to ministry in the program of the church.



As cooperation with other Episcopal churches in the area is started, any objections as to who gets credit or which congregation will benefit the most should be met with the reminder that this is not a popularity contest that is going on. The purpose of the Church is to reach people.

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In order that the rector of All Saints' may be freed to use his training and talents to the greatest advantage, there is an immediate and apparent need for full-time secretarial help. While it may not be beneath the dignity of a priest to do repetitive administrative chores, it would appear that this is not the most effective use that can be made of a highly trained professional man.

The Church Self-Study Form lays stress on the fact that there are large numbers of Roman Catholics moving into the area surrounding All Saints' Church. This may be so, but realistically, the Episcopal Church deals with less than 2% of the total population of the United States, and so it would appear that with an expanding population in the area there is opportunity to reach into that 2%. Need for the development of a program of lay visitations and evangelism seems to be indicated. The Church Self-Study Form reports that there is no neighborhood or zone setup, and that except during the time of the Every Member Canvass, there is no systematic lay visitation. Since the ministry of Christ cannot be completely exercised by any one man it would appear that an emphasis on lay ministry in All Saints' Church would be of value.

If it were not for endowment funds, the parish presently would not be able to do what it now does, and it might even be in somewhat of a financial difficulty. Using the figures submitted in the Church Self-Study Form, it is seen that pledges to the current operation of the parish amount to \$34.81 per communicant.



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Financial figures taken from the Journal of the diocese show that the total expenditures for all purposes per communicant amount to \$65.01. These figures may not include pledges to the building fund, and if so they would have to be revised in light of financial information that was not submitted in the Church Self-Study Form. In any event, the stewardship education program of the parish could be strengthened, and more of the "token givers" encouraged to give proportionately of their income. The vestry might like to consider the establishment of tithing as a parish goal toward which all members would be encouraged to work. This should not be done, however, unless members of the vestry personally would also strive to reach this level of Christian giving.

The education program of the parish contains many excellent features. The adult education program is based primarily on lectures both by the rector and by visiting speakers. In the developing field of adult education, significant steps have been taken in the understanding of learning techniques, and it is recommended that the Education Committee of the parish avail itself of this knowledge and that at least some of the adult education program of the parish be involved in group-learning situations.

Since All Saints' Church has a wealth of property at hand, it has an opportunity not given to most to develop significant ways of using the property for the benefit of the community. Some congregations have erected geriatric centers or homes for the aged. The Federal Government is anxious to have sponsoring groups for such purposes and will supply up to 100% of all funds needed. Whatever may be the future use of the property, the parish leadership should exercise a Christian viewpoint and concern about it.



As this portion of Philadelphia continues to grow, it is suggested that there may be a need for a new mission congregation somewhere in the Knight Road area. Is there anything that this congregation can do to investigate and further such an operation?

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As the members of this congregation come to understand their primary purpose - while some of the organizational work is re-thought - and as the parish seizes new opportunities of relevant Christian ministry outside of itself, no doubt many people in the congregation will be stimulated to a deeper commitment to our Lord Jesus Christ. It is recommended that the leadership training program of the parish be strengthened so that a broader base of men and women may assume areas of responsibility in a more capable manner.

As the history of this parish has been long, so the future can be great. As the membership of the parish comes to understand its developing ministry and forgets about itself in Christian concern and outreach to people, no doubt the size of the congregation will be significantly increased. This, however, will be a result and not a goal.

The future of All Saints' Church can be a good one. It will depend entirely on the degree of commitment by the members.